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First suspicion:
Fingernails smeared with blood

Let us be known
we, the starving beasts,
cursed with the song of blood
bite the hearts, drink
the sand, devour the marrow,
then shall the ashes disdain.
The
song of
OROCHI

YOU'VE RARELY SHOWN UP HERE SINCE YOU'VE GRADUATED

研究所

I HAD MANY THINGS FOR YOU TO DO...I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY LETTERS I SENT TO YOU
IS YOUR HOBBY FOR ANTIQUES MAKING YOU SO BUSY?
NO... IN FACT
SINCE I HAVE NOTHING SPECIAL TO DO HERE
IT'S FINE... IT'S NO USE SPEAKING OF THINGS FROM THE PAST
WHAT'S INTERESTING IS THE PRESENT BECAUSE YOU CAME TODAY
I'M SORRY
HEY...
THIS IS ONE OF THE CREATIONS OF THE RARE DOLL MAKER OTOKICHI

MY APOLOGIES NORMALLY I WOULD HAVE PICKED IT UP FROM YOUR HOUSE MYSELF
BUT I WAS BUSY DOING THINGS HERE TOO

-NO...IF YOU WERE TO HAVE SOLD THIS WORK OF OTOKICHI...

BUT...ISN'T IT OKAY?

I LOOKED AT IT A LOT, BUT IT'S ONLY TRASH
TRASH... YOU'RE SURE?
BUT IT SEEMS LIKE IT WAS NEEDLESS ANXIETY...
IF YOU WANT TO KNOW--- IT WAS GIVEN TO YOU BY SOMEONE I KNOW.
HE DIDN'T GIVE ME MUCH DETAIL ABOUT THIS THING, AND SINCE YOU WERE A HONEST PERSON, I WAS A LITTLE WORRIED
ARE YOU STILL GOING ON WITH YOUR RESEARCH?
DO YOU KNOW THE VALUE OF THE WORKS OF OTOKICHI, SENPAI?
I'M INTERESTED IN THE RESULTS OF MY EXPERIMENTS... THAT'S ALL.
I AM NOT INTERESTED IN THE COMMERCIAL VALUE AT ALL

ARTIFICIAL EYES- ARTIFICIAL HANDS- ARTIFICIAL LEGS- ARTIFICIAL HEARTS
THERE'S A LOT OF THINGS TO RESEARCH ON ARTIFICIAL ORGANS
OF COURSE I AM
BUT I THINK IT'S OKAY TO TAKE A LITTLE BREAK SOMETIMES

-AFTER ALL THAT TROUBLE
YOU FINALLY MARRIED SUCH A BEAUTIFUL GIRL AND YET YOU...
THIS PLACE IS OFTEN USED BY FIRST YEARS WHO WANT TO GET AWAY FROM THEIR WIVES
HAHAHA... THAT'S IT, TOTALLY
ISN'T IT... BOTAN

.....
...?
IT'S ABOUT TIME FOR ME TO GO
I'M SORRY FOR STAYING SO CLOSE TO YOU
PLEASE STAY AT EASE
NO... I'VE ALREADY FINISHED MY WORK
I DON'T WANT TO DISTURB YOUR RESEARCH SENPAI...
WHO SAID IT WAS FINISHED?

DRIP
DRIP
DRIP
DRIP
DRIP
DRIP
RYUUNOSUKE FOR SURE YOU CAME HERE FOR YOUR RESEARCH BUT

SUGI... URA SENPAI...!?
!
MEAT...
Slurp
Ah...
AH SMELL MEAT...
ガラ

BAM
DAM
UH!! UW AH
БУШИН
UGH
ME... MEAT...
...MEAT

WHAT IS SHE
TCHIK
U AAAH
SEN -PAI
HEL... HELP
TCHIK
IS IT TASTY BOTAN
THE MEAT OF RYUUNOSUKE
IT SHOULD BE TASTY
NO
REALLY WHAT IS IT
FOR MY EXPERIMENT
I NEED YOU

I NEED TO DO MANY THINGS TO BUILD ARTIFICIAL MEMBERS OR ORGANS
BUT IN MY CASE OR THOSE OF MANY PEOPLE, THE MATERIALS ARE NOT GOOD TO DEAL WITH...
.....?
PRIMARILY, WE USE PEOPLE
SO...TO LET YOU KNOW THIS...I THINK IT'S GOOD...
THE MAIN POINT IS THAT WE USE IN-PATIENTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL
IF WE FIND SUITABLE ONES, WE USE THEM
!

I WAS WORRIED... BECAUSE I WAS USING PEOPLE FOR MY RESEARCH
BUT IF MY EXPERIMENTS ARE SUCESS-FUL, I WOULD BE ABLE TO SAVE A LOT OF THE VICTIMS
THATS JUST THE WAY IT IS
IT'S A SIMPLE EQUATION
ON THIS...
I HAVE NO DOUBT
WITHOUT GETTING SENTIMENTAL I DECIDED TO DO IT THIS WAY
ISN'T IT GOOD, ALL I HAVE SAID TO YOU RYUUNOSUKE
SO, WHAT DO YOU WANT OF ME...
IT'S USELESS WITHOUT YOUR POWERFUL FLESH AND BLOOD
THOSE OF THE NAKATANI...
AAA!

WHAT?
?
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
...WHO?
!
.....
.....

THE ONE WHO WOKE ME UP...
WHO
HM
UH...
--AAH
IT'S YOU

AAA

...THE DOLL SEEMS TO HAVE OPENED HER EYES...
INTERESTING...
AH...
MEAT...
--FOOD?
WAIT YOU PEOPLE
WHY ARE YOU BEING RUDE WITH MY FOOD

YOU...
BUCHU
BUCHI
BUCHI
BUCHAK
YOU REALLY HAVE SMELLY BLOOD
I WAS SURPRISED TO FIND MYSELF BATHED IN IT SO SUDDENLY,
BUT... IT'S OK Y

SUCH A STENCH THIS BLOOD HAS
THANKS TO YOU, I
HAVE TOTALLY OPENED MY EYES
MON
MONSTER
I'LL SUCK YOUR BLOOD
SO COME OVER HERE

YOU'RE WRONG
I'M --
DON'T
DON'T COME!!
DAK

WAIT... PLEASE WAIT!
HEY!

AH... AH...
ME... MEAT...

SQUISH
...THIS WOUND
AH
MEAT...
A LITTLE WHILE, AND YOU CAN GO
AH...
KAT
KAT
KAT
KAT
KAT
KAT
I LED THEM TO YOU...

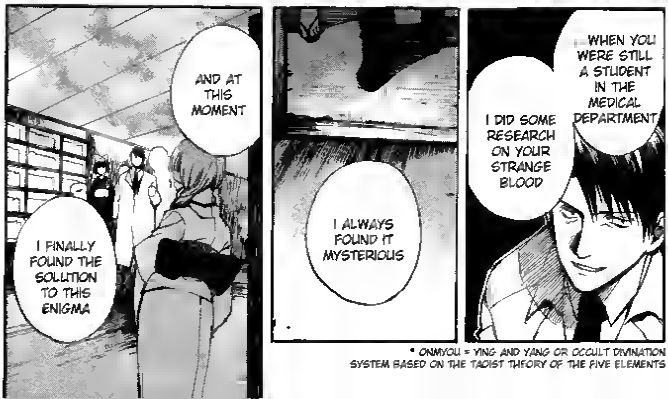
--...
HAA
HAA
HAA
SHIT...
--...
FOUND YOU!
HAA

HUM
WHY DID YOU RUN AWAY!!
IT HAPPENED BECAUSE YOU WERE DOING SELFISH THINGS
WHAT...
WHAT ARE YOU...
ME?
I AM WHAT WE CALL A VAMPIRE DOLL
AND YOU?
RYUUNOSUKE...
...
BECAUSE YOU MADE ME RUN, I'M THIRSTY
...BE PATIENT AND LET ME DO THIS

DUTY ...?
MASTER ...?
SINCE YOU WOKE ME UP
PLEASE LET ME DO MY DUTY-- ...MASTER
WHA
WHAT ARE YOU DOING ...
YES, I'LL SUCK YOUR BLOOD EVERYDAY
BUT I WILL MAKE SURE I DON'T SUCK RYUUNOSUKE TOO MUCH, IN ORDER FOR YOU NOT TO DIE
!
I DON'T WANT THIS!
NO... NO!!

DON'T WORRY IN EXCHANGE FOR YOUR BLOOD, I WILL DO EVERYTHING RYUUNOSUKE ASKS OF ME
YES EXCEPT FOR THOSE THAT INCONVENIENCE ME
EVERYTHING
UUH...
FUU
IT'S SO TASTY!

NE RYUUNOSUKE WHAT ARE YOU?
WHY IS YOUR BLOOD LIKE THIS?
WHY DO YOU HAVE BLOOD...WITH SUCH A SMELL?
SMELLY THINGS ARE SMELLY
IT'S JUST LIKE WITH THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE USING MAGIC
WHY? AREN'T YOU JUST A HUMAN?
STEP
IT'S BECAUSE HE'S A HUMAN FROM THE NAKATANI HOUSE


...WHEN YOU WERE STILL A STUDENT IN THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT
I DID SOME RESEARCH ON YOUR STRANGE BLOOD
I ALWAYS FOUND IT MYSTERIOUS
AND AT THIS MOMENT
I FINALLY FOUND THE SOLUTION TO THIS ENIGMA

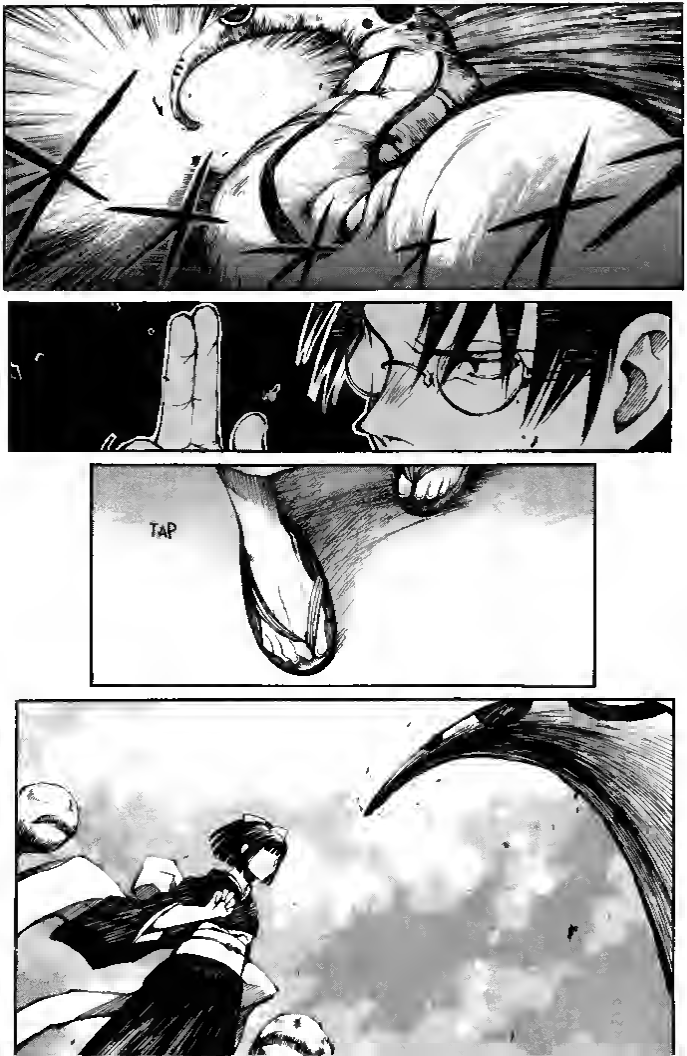
* ONMYOU = YING AND YANG OR OCCULT DIVINATION SYSTEM BASED ON THE TAOIST THEORY OF THE FIVE ELEMENTS

IT WAS TOTALLY BY CHANCE... WHEN I SAW THE DATA FOR YOUR RESEARCH
BETWEEN ALL THE DATA WERE THE RESULTS OF YOUR BLOOD TEST...
WHAT... WHAT WAS IT? THE NUMERICAL VALUES...
WAS IT THE BLOOD OF A MAN?
NEGATIVE... IT WAS EVERYTHING BUT A HUMAN'S BLOOD, I WAS SO SURPRISED
...IDIOT...
DID YOU REALLY BELIEVE IN THIS?
...
OF COURSE I DID MORE INVESTIGATIONS AFTER THAT... ON THE NAKATANI FAMILY
I'VE EVEN BEEN TO THEIR HOUSE

AND NOW I'M SURE OF THE REAL MEANING OF THIS
RYUUNOSUKE ...BLOOD HAS ALMOST STOPPED COMING OUT OF YOUR WOUND
EVEN THOUGH YOU WERE STABBED DEEPLY
I'VE EVEN MET YOUR FATHER
ISN'T IT STRANGE...
FOR A HUMAN
...FOR SURE I'M A NAKATANI
...BUT I!
HA...
YOU KNOW YOUR OWN APPROXIMATE VALUE
.....
LOOK!

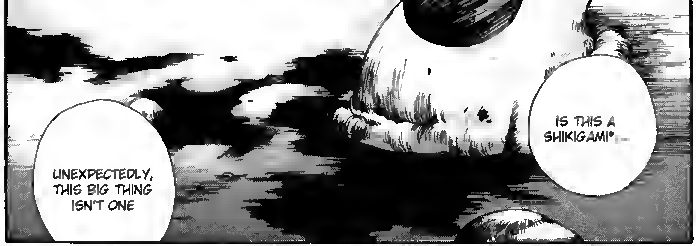
UH
...
WA
!!
.....

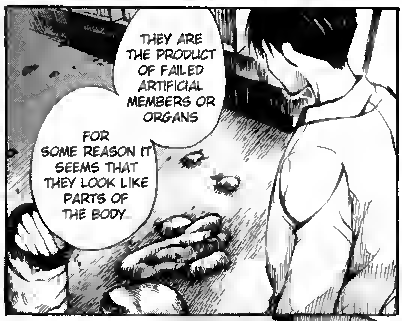
OI... YOU
STEP BACK A LITTLE
EH... THIS IS A CHARM?
BUT IT'S ONLY A SELF-DEFENCE ONE

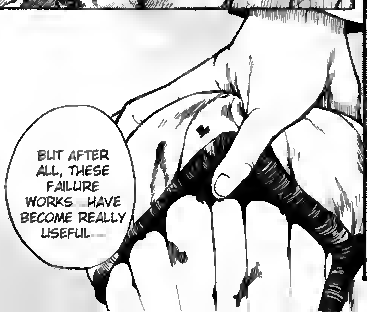

TAP

DRIP
DRIP
DRIP
DRIP
GII
GII
GIKYUSH

!
GUTCH
GUTCH
GAK
GAK
GAK
MEAT...




THEY ARE THE PRODUCT OF FAILED ARTIFICIAL MEMBERS OR ORGANS
FOR SOME REASON IT SEEMS THAT THEY LOOK LIKE PARTS OF THE BODY...



EVEN IF THEY ARE NAKATANI PEOPLE, THEY'RE ALL USERS OF A WORTHLESS TECHNIQUE...OR WHAT'S LEFT OF IT
IF I CAN DO THE SAME THING WITH MY FAILURE WORKS

*SHIKIGAMI=A SPIRIT WHICH HAS BEEN SUMMONED

WELL.....THE BEST THING I COULD DO, THE RESULT OF MY WORK
IS ONLY BOTAN
THIS GIRL WHO WAS HOLDING A CEREMONY AWHILE AGO
THIS PATIENT WAS ABOUT TO LOSE A LUNG.....
I WANTED TO DO MY BEST TO HELP HER, BECAUSE HER HEALTH WAS REALLY BAD
?
WHAT DO YOU..... MEAN?
SAVING LIFE AT ANY COST IT IS THE MEANING OF MY EXPERIMENTS
I GAVE HER MANY ARTIFICIAL ORGANS AND MEMBERS

PUK...
ZUK
BUT THE ARTIFICIAL ORGANS WERE NOT PERFECT
!
HER HEART WAS ATTACKED

HER ABILITY TO RECOVER AND HER PHYSICAL STRENGTH ARE BEYOND THOSE OF ORDINARY PEOPLE
THAT'S WHY SHE WAS ABLE TO DO ALL THIS
THE WOUND...
KYUK
SHUK
AFTER THAT... SHE HAD THE ABILITY TO SUCK MEAT. .OR MORE SPECIFICALLY
IF SHE DOES NOT SUCK MEAT. SHE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN HER BODY AND SHE WILL DIE
IT'S BECAUSE I USED SUCKED MEAT ON PART OF THE MATERIALS OF THE ARTIFICIAL ORGANS
I WAS NOT ABLE TO DO IT WITHOUT SUCH A COMPROMISE

WHEN SHE COMES IN CONTACT WITH LOWER CLASS CREATURES, SHE GIVES BIRTH TO THE SAME LOWER CLASS CREATURES
SENPAI, WHAT YOU DID CAN'T BE CALLED A MEDICAL TECHNIQUE...
I DON'T CARE ABOUT THE NAME
I'M JUST STRUGGLING TOWARDS THE GOAL I'M SEARCHING FOR
IT'S SORCERY
...

I ALREADY KNOW ALL THERE IS TO KNOW ABOUT THIS TECHNIQUE
THE PROBLEM IS THE MATERIALS
IT NEEDS MORE POWERFUL FLESH AND BLOOD THAN ORDINARY PEOPLE... RYUUNOSUKE HAS IT
-YOU
PLEASE KEEP THIS IN MIND
WAIT A SEC YOU'RE JUST DOING THINGS SELFISHLY
OK...? I'M THE ONE WHO IS USING RYUUNOSUKE NOT YOU
ボト・ボトボト・ボト

I SMELL SOME MEAT...
MUST BE TIME FOR FOOD
...OR MAYBE HE'S MISSING HIS MOTHER?
!!!

YOU EVEN TOUCHED YOUR OWN SON

NO

!

YOU DIDN'T SEE HIM BEFORE, SO I'LL INTRODUCE HIM TO YOU
HE IS MY... CHILD

OI OI, I GUESS I HAVE A BAD REPUTATION
I ONLY PICKED PARTS FROM CORPSES AND ADDED THEM TOGETHER
I AM GIVING LIFE
THERE'S NO REASON TO CRITICISE MY EXPERIMENTS
SO... TIME FOR FOOD
IT'S OKAY IF YOU EAT THAT LITTLE THING OVER THERE, SHE'S ONLY USELESS
!!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN...

LET HER GO!!
KYA AAAAH !!!
AAH!
RYUUNOSUKE I WANT YOU TO BE QUIET AND LISTEN TO ME
I'M WAITING FOR APPROVAL FROM YOU
APPROVAL?

I CAN NOT INVESTIGATE THE SECRETS OF THE NAKATANI WHILE YOU CAN DO WHATEVER YOU WANT
I WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE TECHNIQUES FROM YOUR OWN HOUSE YOU'RE SO ASHAMED OF
I WANT APPROVAL FROM THE CREATOR
CATCH HIM BOTAN
SCH POK
!?
!
PLIK
PLIK

HA...!
YOUR CHILD HAS BAD MANNERS

NO...!
PFU
LIKE FATHER LIKE SON...
THE WORST.
YOU, A LOW CLASS HUMAN,
MADE ME ANGRY...
HOW AUDACIOUS

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初の単行本です。
いろいろと嬉しいです。
楽しんでいただければ幸いです。

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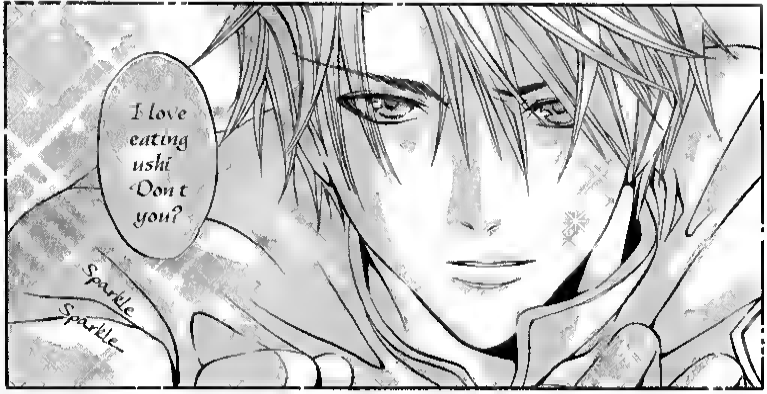
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Sparkle Sparkle~

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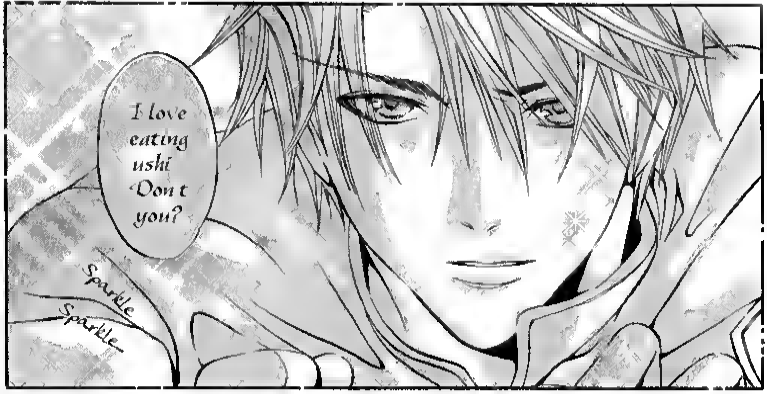
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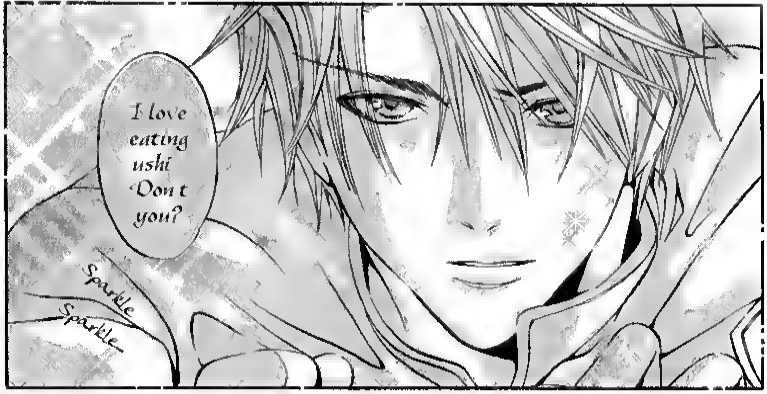
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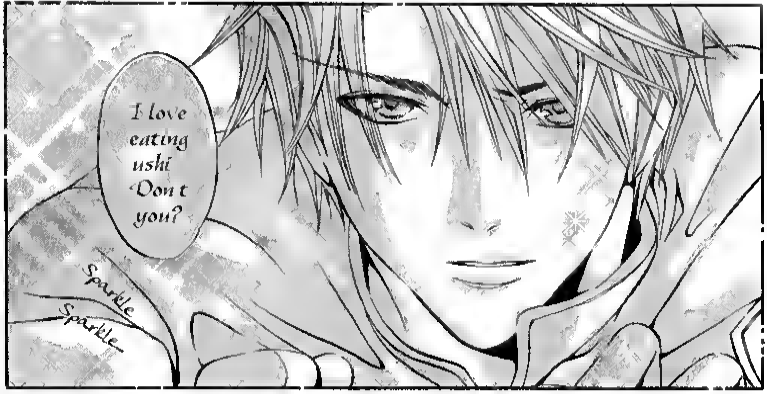
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The Fifth
Suspicion:
Bonds

DAMN DOG...
I'LL KILL YOU FIRST
HAVING TO TAKE CARE OF A VIOLENT CHILD LIKE YOU
RYUUNOSUKE-SAN MUST GO THROUGH A LOT OF TROUBLE
OH?
AS TROUBLE-SOME AS IT MAY SEEM, IT'S A PRETTY HAPPY LIFE YOU KNOW?

BUT OF COURSE AN OLD HAG LIKE YOU WHO LIKES A RABBIT-PIG
WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND RIGHT?
NOT THAT I'D ASK FOR YOUR UNDER-STANDING ANYWAY!
WATCH
YOUR PIG BE SMEARED IN BLOOD
.....
?!

!!!
WHA...
WHAT IS THIS..!?
AS YOU WOULD EXPECT FROM RYUUNOSUKE-SAN'S BLOOD I GUESS.
IT WON'T EVEN GIVE IN TO PARASITIC FISH
THE SOURCE OF YAMAINU'S ILLNESS... A PARASITIC FISH
IT WAS SHOT BY A HUMAN BEING HOLDING A GRUDGE AGAINST ME. BUT YAMAINU PROTECTED ME AND GOT HIT INSTEAD.
IT PROBABLY CAME OUT BECAUSE THE OROCHI'S BLOOD WAS SUFFOCATING HIM

THAT FISH LIVES BY SUCKING THE BLOOD OF THE BODY IT LIVES IN
ONCE IT GETS INTO YOU IT'S TOO LATE. IT'LL STAY INSIDE YOU UNTIL IT SUCKS YOU DRY
IT'S PROBABLY LOOKING FOR A NEW MASTER
SINCE YAMAINUI'S BODY GOT UNCOM-FORTABLE TO LIVE IN
YOU FOR EXAMPLE
!
ME?
ぐっ
THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE

COZ I'M A DOLL
BLOOD... DOESN'T FLOW IN ME

I TAKE CARE OF THE REST FOR ME BOTAN
be careful of bones, okay?
MEAT...
THIS... TASTES WEIRD...
CHOMP
last ones
.....
YOU TWO ARE...
INCREDIBLE

YAMAINU'S FREE FROM HIS ILLNESS
AND THAT PARASITE'S DEAD
!
IT SEEMS
YOU USED US WELL
I GUESS...I SHOULD SAY THANK YOU
I THINK IT'S IN EVERYONE'S BEST INTEREST
THAT I RETREAT FOR TODAY
THE OROCHI'S BLOOD GOT SUCKED AFTER HE TOOK MY DRUGS
!
I CAN NO LONGER GUARANTEE HIS LIFE
HEY..! FIX UP RYUUNOSUKE

!!
!!
THEN I'LL GET THE OROCHI TO SUCK YOUR BLOOD DRY!!
OH? HOW ODD?
DIDN'T YOU SAY BEFORE THAT I COULD KILL RYUUNOSUKE-SAN?

!
SH..
SHUT UP!!
WHAT'S YOUR PROBLEM...?
SO SUDDENLY
!!
HEY
SAEKI-SAN...
EH..!?
?
YOU CAN.. GET UP?
WHAT'S THE DRUG YOU GAVE ME...?
IT'S SOMETHING WITH THE MAN-DOROGE AND KUSUJIZU MIXED TOGETHER
WE HAVE OUR BONDS.. I WOULDN'T DO ANYTHING HARMFUL TO YOU
NORMALLY IT NUMBS YOUR LEGS FOR AROUND 2-3 DAYS...

BUT I GUESS IT WOULD BE RUDE OF ME TO JUST SAY GOOD-BYE NORMALLY
SINCE YOU GOT UP JUST FOR ME
...
!
WHA.
GET WELL SOON.
WHAT ARE YOU

IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME NOW
WELL THEN
UH
COME..!! YAMAINU!!
RYUUNO-SUKE, HANG IN THERE!
RYUUNO-SUKE!!

!!
UGH...
HEY YOU!!
WHAT THE HELL DID YOU DO TO RYUUNOSUKE!?
I WANT HIM TO STAY STILL UNTIL THE DRUG WEARS OFF
HE'LL BE ABLE TO MOVE AGAIN AFTER A WHILE

THAT'S NOT THE PROBLEM !!!
...DON'T WORRY
I'LL COME BY AGAIN TO CHECK UP ON HIM
...TO SEE... RYUUNOSUKE-SAN
OH, THAT'S RIGHT
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU SAYING? YOU'RE THE ONE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THIS!!

MY BLOOD
WASN'T BAD EITHER, WAS IT?
YOUR BLOOD...
WAS VERY NICE RYUJUNO-SUKE-SAN
.....
YOUR
BLOOD!?
WE HAVE THE SAME SCAR ON THE SAME SPOT NOW...
I MADE THE SCAR SO IT'LL STAY ON YOU FOREVER... THE SCAR WHERE WE SHARED EACH OTHER'S BLOOD

IT'S THE SIGN OF OUR BOND
...DON'T FORGET
...? WHAT'S SHE GOING ON ABOUT??
WH... WH-IT'S WITH THAT BITCH...
LET'S GO NOW Y/MAINE...

refreshment
GEEZ
WHAT IS IT, WITH HER AND YOU GUYS...
IT'S BEEN LIKE THIS EVER SINCE THAT DAY
?
ARE YOU OKAY RYUJINO-SUKE..?
RYUJINOSUKE-SAN'S..
blood
IT CAN'T BE HELPED
...AAH BUT THAT BITCH...
SHE'LL PROBABLY COME AGAIN
IS MY BLOOD ...REALLY THAT GOOD?
HEY
YEAH?
I'LL THINK ABOUT WHAT TO DO WHEN THE TIME COMES...

IT'S VERY...
GOOD...
YOU COULDN'T FORGET IT AFTER TASTING IT ONCE
I GUESS!
THAT GOES WITH SAEKI-SAN TOO...
IF SHE CAN'T...
I'LL KILL HER MYSELF

A simple self introduction

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HOBBY TO SLEEP

SPECIALITY TO GET UP

MUSIC I LIKE (IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER)

EGO-WRAPPIN, KOJIMA YUMI, CHARA, MOONRIDERS

I CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT MUSIC

I THINK THAT'S ABOUT IT.

OH, AND,

I HAD A QUESTION ABOUT THE AGES OF THESE CHARACTERS SO I'LL ANSWER IT HERE

NORARA AROUND 13 IF SHE WAS HUMAN

RYUUNOSUKE AROUND 25 (BUT LOOKS PRETTY YOUNG)

BOTAN. 17 (OR AROUND THERE)

SUGIURA. 29 OR 30 (GAWD, 30'S...)

SAEKI 19 (SHE LOOKS OLD BORN ON AN YAKUDOSHI)

GEDOUTSUKAI AROUND 25 (SAME AS RYUUNOSUKE?)

THE 25 YEAR OLD WHO'S LIFE IS BEEN CONTROLLED BY A 13 YEAR OLD GIRL

PS THE GIRL ON THE LEFT IS NORARA

Many
thanks to
KITAGAWA-SAN
KIMIHARA-SAN
KOBAKO-SAN
SANO YOUKO-SAN
SHINONOME TOKUKI-SAN
WAKAGAWA-SAN (MANAGER-SAMA)
NINAGAWA YAEKO-SAN
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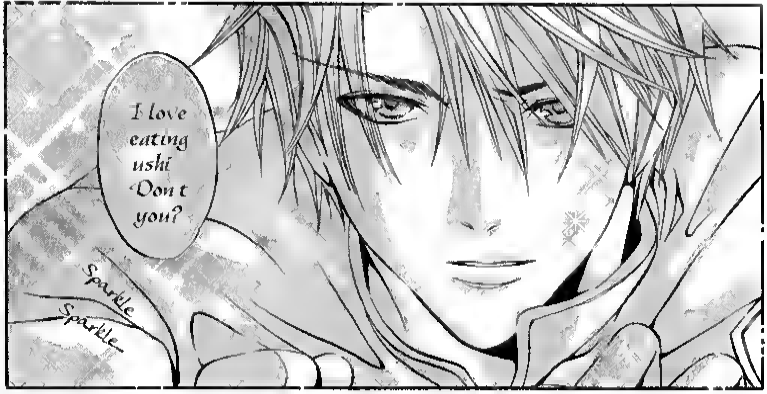
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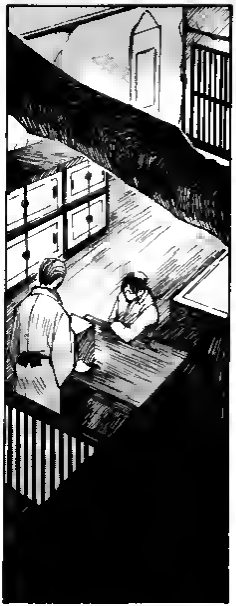

THIS

INDEED! I FINALLY GOT MY HANDS ON THIS AFTER THROWING AWAY MY CASH AT THE AUCTION YESTERDAY
BUT YOU FIND IT QUEER THAT IT RATTLES AT NIGHT, RIGHT?
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IS THE WORK OF THE OTOKICHI...
GETTING THIS TREATMENT
AFTER PAYING SO MUCH IS A LITTLE TOO MUCH... WOULDN'T YOU AGREE?

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I'LL TAKE IT HOME AND LOOK AT IT STRAIGHT AWAY
SURE
CAN I ASK YOU TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS DOLL?
AND THAT'S WHY I ASKED YOU TO COME AROUND RYUUNO-SUKE-SAN
YOU'VE BECOME QUITE A MAN RYUUNO-SUKE-SAN
WORKING AS AN ONMYOUJI AT SUCH A YOUNG AGE
YOU WILL SURELY HAVE THE SKILL TO CARRY ON THE NAKATANI NAME
AH, PLEASE DO REMEMBER TO TAKE GOOD CARE OF THIS DOLL FOR ME

I'M NOTHING BUT A LOSER
AHH...NO
YOU'RE SUCH A MODEST MAN RYUUNO-SUKE-SAN
WELL, IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME FOR TODAY
YES, TAKE CARE!
BESIDES
IT'S NOT THAT I'M WORKING INDEPENDENTLY FOR THE FAMILY. I JUST LEFT THE HOUSE.
BUT STILL, I HEAR THAT SOME BEASTS
CHOOSE TO FORFEIT THE BATTLE AFTER HEARING THAT ONE IS A "NAKATANI"
IT REALLY DOESN'T MEAN A THING

RYUUNOSUKE.
!
RYUUNO-SUKE-SAN
EH
TH... THE BOX??
!
RYUUGNO-SUKE...
のぼろ
カタン
カタン
SFX rattle rattle

YOU'RE... NAKATANI RYUUNOSUKE-SAN AREN'T YOU?
I... I AM, BUT
WHO ARE... YOU?
I'VE BEEN... LOOKING FOR YOU RYUUNOSUKE-SAN...
...AH... YOU REALLY DO SMELL NICE
MY NAME... IS BOTAN

...OF YOUR MEAT
!?
S... SMELL!?
YES

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AGH...
AGHHHH
H!!!
ST
STOP
IT. !!
YOU
LITTLE. !!

DAMN YOU!!
WHAT THE HELL DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING TAKING MY PREY YOU MEAT SUCKING DOLL!
あ
KYA
N...
NO...I... I FOUND
SHAKES
I FOUND RYUUNOSUKE FIRST!!
OI... WHAT'S TAKING YOUR TIME
BOTAN
THE..
DOLL...!?

IT'S ONLY A SAN-MONJUT-SUSHI AND A DOLL
B... BUT
RETREAT NOW BOTAN
I'LL DO THE NAKATANI
?
throw
GO
SHUDDER

A DEMON MASTER
!!
!!
I RUN STRAIGHT THROUGH RYUJINO-SLIKE!!
I'LL GET RID OF 'EM WITH MY FU...!!

THAT FU'S USELESS!
HURRY!
.....
DOLL... IF YOU HINDER OUR PATH
ONLY DEATH AWAITS
DEATH...?
OH, YOUR DEATHS RIGHT?
THANKS TO ME

A DEMON MASTER
BEAST DOLL
!
WHAT THE HELL IS THIS...
EH...? AH
HEY... OI!!
AH, THE DOLL...!!
!
!

...HEY!
...ARE YOU OKAY!?
...BLOOD....
I WONDER... IF IT'S OKAY TO TOUCH...IT?
HUH...!? BLOOD?
BLOOD
WITHOUT IT I'LL... BECOME USELESS...
QUICKLY —LET ME SUCK IT...
GIVE ME... BLOOD...

THAT'S NOT GOOD!!
BECOME USELESS? HEY!!
DAMN IT
WELL THEN
ITADAKIMASU
YOU CAN TAKE SOME
EH!?
I'D BE GETTING MYSELF INTO TROUBLE IF SOMETHING WAS TO HAPPEN TO YOU

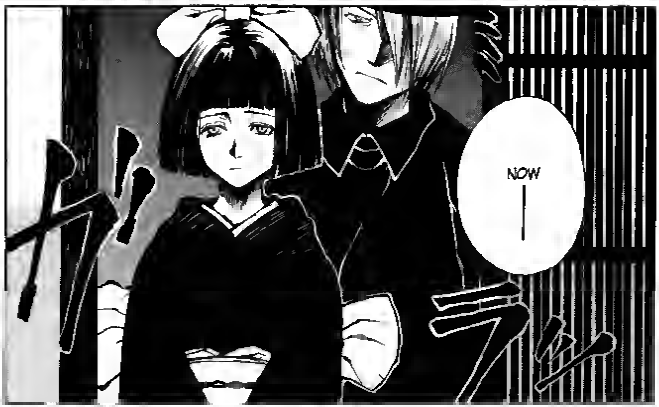
YOU KNOW RYUUNOSUKE, YOU SMELL BAD BUT YOU'RE A NICE GUY!!
THAT WAS NICE!!
SMELL BAD ―!?
INDEED! THE SMELL OF ― DEATH WHICH IS DISTINCTIVE TO SPELL USERS
YOU SMELL PRETTY BAD... WHICH MEANS YOU MUST COME FROM A PRETTY FAMOUS ―
YEAH.
...NE, ARE YOU AN ONMYOUJI RYUUSUNOUKE?
AND YOURS IS SUPER!!

IF YOU DON'T MIND BEING STILL FOR A WHILE
UNFORTUNATELY I DON'T PLAN TO GET INTIMATE WITH A BEAST
!
OH WHAT'S THIS..
AHH
THAT USELESS FU?
WHAT A LAUGH. YOU THOUGHT THAT A FU LIKE THAT COULD HOLD ME DOWN?
YOU HAVE TO LEARN TO SCALE OUT YOUR ENEMY'S STRENGTH A BIT MORE
THE FU..
DOESN'T WORK
!??

V...VAMPIRE DOLL??!
ME?
I'M A BLOOD SUCKING VAMPIRE DOLL
WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU?
you've gotten bigger too
GO
THAT'S RIGHT!! MY NAME'S "NOBARA"
I WAS WANDERING ABOUT WITHOUT A MASTER
AND THEN I FOUND HIM! THE PERFECT MASTER!!
...YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT ME?
OF COURSE

S... STOP KIDDING WITH ME!!
I'LL SUCK YOUR BLOOD EVERYDAY, JUST SO THAT YOU HAVE ENOUGH TO LIVE
SO WE'LL BE TOGETHER FOREVER NOW!
I'M NOT KIDDING AND I'VE ALREADY DECIDED
IN RETURN THOUGH I'LL PROTECT YOU RYUUNOSUKE
JUST LIKE BEFORE
THE DEMON MASTER AND MEAT SUCKER?
M.. MEAT SUCKER!?
WHAT HAPPENED TO THOSE GUYS?
YOU SEEM PRETTY WEAK FOR A SMELLY GUY AFTER ALL
WAIT A MINUTE

SO THEY SHOULD BE FOLLOWING YOUR SMELL AND GETTING HERE ABOUT
AND THEIR SENSE OF SMELL IS OUT THERE TOO
THAT'S RIGHT. MEAT SUCKING DOLLS LOVE MEAT JUST AS MUCH AS I LIKE BLOOD


NOW

THESE GUYS SEEM PRETTY ATTACHED TO YOU AS WELL RYUUNOSUKE

GEEZ HOW DARE THEY TAKE OTHER PEOPLE'S PREY
THAT'S NOT EXACTLY TRUE
THE ONE TAKING OTHER PEOPLE'S PREY IS YOU, DOLL
?
I'VE ALREADY PURCHASED NAKANTAN! RYUUNOSUKE A LONG TIME BEFORE YOU EVEN MET HIM
OF COURSE I PAID MY CASH
STAND BACK RYUUNOSUKE
I COULDN'T GET RID OF EM COZ I DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH BLOOD BEFORE
BUT I'LL KILL THEM THIS TIME

GO!!
WHA...
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU SAY!...
.....
.....
LOOK. I'VE EVEN GOT THE CONTRACT AND AFTER CARE DETAILS...
ALTHOUGH IT WAS AT A BLACK MARKET AUCTION
BLACK MARKET...!?

YOU WERE OUT FOR SALE ON THE BLACK MARKET AUCTION AND I BOUGHT YOU OUT
AND I NEEDED A FAMOUS AND STRONG PIECE OF BLOOD-MEAT FOR MY EXPERIMENT
EVEN THOUGH YOU MAY ONLY BE A SANMONJUTSUSHI YOU HAVE THE BLOOD OF THE NAKATANI! IT CAN'T BE TOO BAD
.....
AND WHO THE HELL ARE YOU SAYING'S THE ONE RESPONSIBLE FOR SELLING ME!?
AN AUCTION YOU SAY?
THE NAKATANI FAMILY

WH AT ...?
APPARENTLY THEY DON'T LIKE THE WAY YOU'VE BECOME A SANMONJIT-SUSHI
THE SAME OF THE FAMILY, SO THEY SAID
MY... FATHER?
INDEED
M...
MEAT
MEAT...
はあ
はあ
はあ
I DON'T CARE ABOUT PEOPLES' AFFAIRS
BUT NAKATANI RYUUNOSUKE, YOU'RE NOW A PART OF MY EXPERIMENT
AS FOR YOUR REMAINS I'LL FEED IT TO BOTAN HERE
AND FOR THE SAKE OF IT
IF YOU DON'T MIND I'LL TAKE CUSTODY OF THAT DOLL OVER THERE...
!

FOR THE SAKE...?
AND YOU THINK I'D JUST SAY "YES, SURE NO PROBLEM"?
A SHIKIGAMI HUH
I'D LIKE TO DECLINE THAT INVITATION THANKS

THIS IS ALL YOU CAN DO DESPITE YOUR BLOOD?
WHAT A LAUGH
I'LL GIVE YOU A REWARD FOR THAT BOTAN...
YOU CAN GO EAT A BIT OF HIM
DAMN IT
M...
MEAT
MEAT MEAT...

NOT SO FAST THERE!!
BE STILL
MEAT...
UGH...
AGHHH!!

DAMN IT...
WHAT STRENGTH ...!!
... READY?

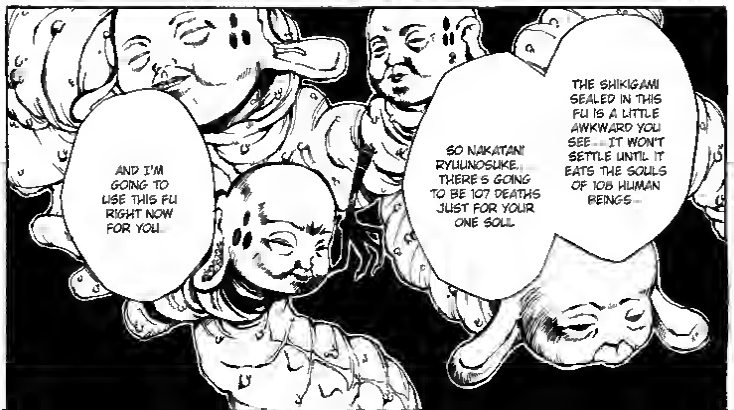
BO-TAN!!
BOTAN!! OI...!!
IF YOU TAKE YOUR EYES OFF ME
UGH
IT'S DANGEROUS
OI!!
GET BACK OVER HERE AND PROTECT ME!!
IT SEEMS.... SHE LIKES RYUUNOSUKE OVER YOU
LOOKS LIKE SHE LEFT YOU

Y...YOU LITTLE BITCHHH...
OH DON'T THINK ABOUT MOVING. JUST STAND THERE IN VEX
YOU POOR LITTLE LOSER!!
Ah ha.ha ha.ha ha.ha.ha
ha.ha ha.ha ha.ha!!!!!
H... HOW DARE YOU BRING ABOUT SUCH SHAME TO ME...
BOTAN... YOU...
USELESS FAILURE
VANISH IN DEATH!!!

YOU'RE JUST LIKE MY FATHER
WHAT A SELFISH WAY OF THINKING
YOU'D JUST GET RID HER LIKE THAT BECAUSE SHE WON'T FOLLOW YOUR ORDERS?
RYU...
RYUJINO-SUKE...

HOW DARE YOU DO THAT TO MY....!!
IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU SHUT UP
I WON'T GIVE YOU AN EASY DEATH FOR THAT!!
AH!
STAY THERE AND WATCH

I DON'T...
LIKE TO MAKE THINGS WORSE
BUT IT CAN'T BE HELPED. IF YOU DON'T MIND ME USING THESE
?
A FU MADE BY YOUR FATHER
TO KILL YOU


THE SHIKIGAMI SEALED IN THIS FU IS A LITTLE AWKWARD YOU SEE... IT WON'T SETTLE UNTIL IT EATS THE SOULS OF 108 HUMAN BEINGS...
SO NAKATANI RYUUNOSUKE... THERE'S GOING TO BE 107 DEATHS JUST FOR YOUR ONE SOUL
AND I'M GOING TO USE THIS FU RIGHT NOW FOR YOU...

HA.
YOU HAD ME WORRIED FOR A MOMENT BECAUSE YOU SAID IT WAS SOMETHING MY FATHER GAVE YOU BUT
THIS?
HA HA HA HA
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
YOU CAN'T KILL ME WITH SOMETHING LIKE THIS
POOR THING MY FATHER'S DONE WELL TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF YOU
BE GONE!!

!?
YOU DIDN'T BUY ME
THE NAKATANI'S BOUGHT YOU

WHAT TYPE OF NONSENSE ARE YOU TALKING NOW...

HAVE YOU LOST YOUR SANITY FROM YOUR FEAR OF THE SHIKIGAMI?
YOU AT LEAST HAVE MY SYMPATHY

ALTHOUGH YOU'RE THE ONE PAYING
カチャ!
カラン
EVEN THOUGH THEY BOUGHT YOU

TO MAKE ME FIGHT YOU

I'LL LET YOU LEAVE THIS WORLD QUICKLY...
SHIKI-GAMI!!
WHAT IS IT
WHAT ARE YOU FEARING?
clatter
EATEN?
THEY'RE GONNA BE EATEN AFTERALL
NOT THAT I CAN BLAME THEM.
THAT FU ISN'T ENOUGH TO KILL ME
BUT IT'S MORE THAN ENOUGH TO BRING IT OUT

A SNAKE
BESIDES IT LOOKS LIKE I DON'T HAVE TOO MUCH OF A CHOICE TO SETTLE THE SCORE
BRING OUT...?
AND WHAT ON EARTH DO YOU PLAN TO BRING OUT NOW?
ミュウウゥウウ
ウウゥウ
MY—THE NAKATANI'S BLOOD IS CALLED THE DAKETSU
WHICH MEANS A SNAKE LIVES INSIDE MY BLOOD

UGH...
AH....
A....
A DOUBLE HEADED OROCHI...!!
THE ONES AT HOME APPARENTLY EAT THIS AND THAT FROM THE NAME OF THE ONMYOUJI BUT
THIS SNAKE IS FIERCE AND GREEDY
FOREVER CRAVING FOR BLOOD AND MEAT

SO I'VE BEEN SEALING IT INSIDE ME
TO HOLD IT BACK
I DON'T LIKE SMELL OF RAW BLOOD YOU SEE
AND BECAUSE THE OROCHI SUCKS THE REST OF MY ENERGY INSIDE ME, THAT'S WHY I'M ONLY KNOWN TO BE A LOW SANMONJUTSUSHI
MY FATHER DOESN'T SEEM TO AGREE WITH MY PETTY ATTITUDE TOWARDS IT ALL
...!!
N... NO!!!
BUT IT SEEMS HE WANTED ME TO GET THE OROCHI OUT BY USING YOU AS BAIT
SORRY

BUT GIVE UP
UGH...
CRAP... IF THIS THING ESCAPES INTO TOWN
ENOUGH !!
GET BACK!!
!!

I'M HUNGRY... ARE YOU?
YEAH....
HEY
THAT'S PRETTY BIG, SMELLY AND LOOKS GOOD EH?
YEAH...

UH... N...
realise
AH
HE'S AWAKE
?
WHERE AM I?
THIS IS YOUR HOUSE RYUUNOSUKE
MY HOUSE...
!!
THE OROCHI. !!

YOU ATE IT!? THE OROCHI!?
YES
INDEED IT WAS
EH...
IT WAS NICE
WE SUCKED IT TOGETHER, BUT SO IT WOULDN'T DIE
THEN IT GOT ALL QUIET AND WENT INSIDE YOU AGAIN
WITHOUT US ASKING
YOU'RE VERY WELCOME
YOU SHOULD THANK US

LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE USELESS WITHOUT US RYUUNOSUKE
ONE OROCHI A HEAD!
"U...U6"!?
YEAH
YOU CAN RELY ON US IF SOMETHING LIKE THIS HAPPENS NEXT TIME RIGHT?
WE COULD ONLY DO WHAT WE DID BECAUSE THERE WERE TWO OF US
AGAIN BUT
OH, THAT'S RIGHT!
YOU RECEIVED MAIL FROM THIS PERSON CALLED "NAKATANI"

OI... NOGARA
YAH?
YOU'RE NOT ONE OF MY FATHER'S PUPPETS ARE YOU...?
JUST TO ADD, HE SAID HE WON'T CHOOSE A METHOD TO DO THAT
.....
HE SAID FOR YOU TO CUT THE PET-TINESS
AND HURRY UP AND SUCCEED THE FAMILY
YOU'LL FIND OUT...
SOON ENOUGH

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A Final Word!

YOUGEN NO OH! IS SET SO RYUUNOSUKE IS THE MAIN CHARACTER. HOWEVER, IN REALITY IT SEEMS NOBARA IS...

I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO DRAW A HEROINE IN A SHOUNEN TITLE WHO KICKS JUST AS MUCH AS THE "HERO" SO THIS SERIES IS DEFINITELY ENJOYABLE TO DRAW.

AND I'M VERY HAPPY TO HEAR THAT MORE LADIES (OR GIRLS?) ARE ENJOYING THIS SERIES THAN THE MALE AUDIENCE IN GENERAL.

IT'S A BIT OF A CLUMSY SERIES, BUT THANK YOU VERY VERY MUCH TO EVERYONE WHO HAS SUPPORTED THIS MANGA! I AM DRAWING THIS JUST FOR YOU! I'LL DO MY BEST TO KEEP IMPROVING.

AND I GOT TWO OF MY FRIENDS (WHO HELPED ME WITH MY WORK) TO DRAW AND ILLUSTRATE FOR ME. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

WHETHER THEY DID IT TO MAKE ME FEEL BETTER, THEY DREW YOUGEN CHARACTERS FOR ME. IT WAS QUITE FUN TO SEE OTHER PEOPLE DRAW YOUR WORK.

Congratulations for your first tankoubon!!

I'M VERY GLAD TO HAVE MET YOU, YOUR WORK AND TASTE
I WOULD LOVE TO CONTINUE TO WATCH YOUR OUTGOING CHARACTER!!

– ASSISTANT YS

THIS IS ASSISTANT NUMBER 2, NINAGAWA YAEKO.

I DO THE TONES AND CUTTING

I USE BOTH MY HANDS DAY AFTER DAY

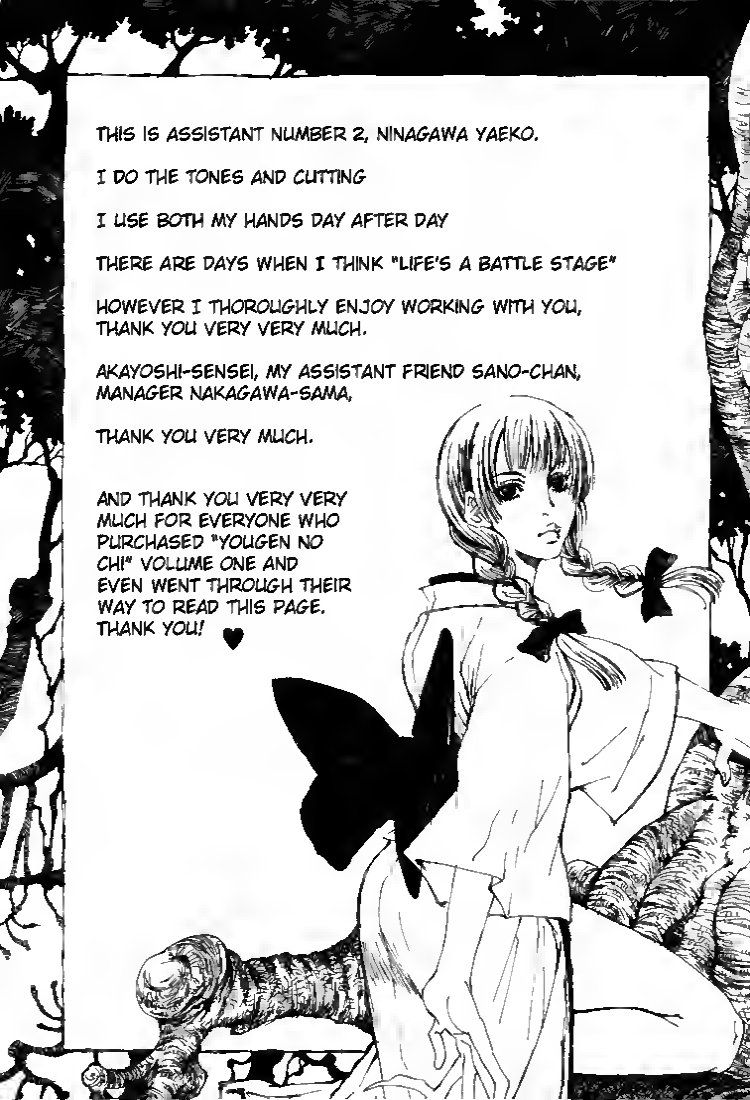
THERE ARE DAYS WHEN I THINK "LIFE'S A BATTLE STAGE"

HOWEVER I THOROUGHLY ENJOY WORKING WITH YOU,
THANK YOU VERY VERY MUCH.

AKAYOSHI-SENSEI, MY ASSISTANT FRIEND SANO-CHAN,
MANAGER NAKAGAWA-SAMA,

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

AND THANK YOU VERY VERY
MUCH FOR EVERYONE WHO
PURCHASED "YOUGEN NO
CHI" VOLUME ONE AND
EVEN WENT THROUGH THEIR
WAY TO READ THIS PAGE.
THANK YOU! ♥



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